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Amendments to the specification:

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following amended paragraph:

[0001] This application claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/422,109, filed October 28, 2002 and titled "Apparatus and Method for Enhancing Storage Processing in a Network-Based Storage Virtualization System", which is incorporated herein by reference. This application also relates to the subject matter disclosed in the [co-pending] U.S. application Ser. No. 10/695,887 [AAAAAAAA (attorney docket 00121-000600000,] by Richard Meyer, et al., titled "Method and System for Dynamic Expansion and Contraction of Nodes in a Storage Area Network", [co-pending U.S. application Ser. No. BBBBBBBB (attorney docket 00121-0007000000, by Gautam Ghose, et al., titled "Failure Analysis Method and System for Storage Area Networks", co-pending] U.S. application Ser. No. 10/695,888 [CCCCCCCC (attorney docket 00121-0008000000,] by Tuan Nguyen, et al., titled "Method and System for Managing Time-Out Events in a Storage Area Network", [co-pending] U.S. Patent No. 7,080,229 ____ [application Ser. No. DDDDDDDD (attorney docket 00121-0009000000,] by Rush Manbert, et al., titled "Method and System for Strategy Driven Provisioning of Storage in a Storage Area Network", filed concurrently herewith.